

GERMANY ALLOWED RUSSIA 12 HOURS TO END WAR MOVES

Presented Ultimatum Demanding That Mobilization of Czar's Troops and Fleet Cease and Time Limit Expired at Noon Today, Says Official Announcement.

DEMAND MADE ON FRANCE TO REMAIN NEUTRAL

In Case War Should Break Out Between Germany and Russia, Italy Decides to Stay Neutral as Long as Her Rights Are Not Infringed.

Berlin, Germany, Aug. 1.—It is officially announced that the time limit on the ultimatum to Russia expired at noon today. The German government asked Russia to suspend mobilization within twelve hours. In the demand sent to France, Germany required France to inform her within eighteen hours whether in case of war between Germany and Russia France would remain neutral.

Italy Will Stand Aloof.

Rome, Aug. 1.—Messaggero to-day said that the German ambassador had informed the Italian government that Germany had sent simultaneous ultimatum to Russia and France.

The despatch states that as it is not a question of defensive war on the part of Germany and Austria, Italy had decided itself to point to the allies that treaty obligations do not oblige her to take up arms in the crisis and will remain neutral. Italy will stand aloof from the hostilities as long as she is convinced that her interests are not being infringed.

King George Appeals to Russia

London, Aug. 1.—King George has sent urgent messages to the Russian emperor in an effort to avert war.

CANADIAN PREMIER ACTIVE.

Returns from Vacation to Be Present When Needed.

Toronto, Aug. 1.—Premier Borden reached Toronto early last night and proceeded to Ottawa on the night train. He came from the Muskoka lakes, where he was spending his holidays.

"I consider the situation so grave and serious," Sir Robert said, "that I deem it my duty to hasten back to the capital at once."

KAISER UTTERS THREAT.

If Forced to War He Will Show Enemies What Germany Can Do.

Berlin, Aug. 1.—The German emperor made a war speech to the people of Berlin yesterday, in which he expressed the hope that if he was unable to induce his opponents to maintain peace he would wield the sword and show his enemies what it means to provoke Germany.

The emperor has summoned the Reichstag to meet on Tuesday at the royal palace and hear the decision of the emperor and the Bundesrath, and if necessary to vote a war credit.

WAS DOUBLE DEMAND

Which Germany Presented to France and Russia.

Paris, Aug. 1.—The Matin makes much of the despatch from Rome relating to Germany's alleged demand on Russia and France. The despatch says that the Giornale d'Italia publishes two despatches circulated by an Italian news agency that Germany has given France 12 hours in which to declare her neutrality, and that a similar ultimatum has been sent to Russia, setting the same time limit to cease mobilization. The ultimatum expired at noon to-day.

DENMARK NEUTRAL

As Sweden and Norway Are to Be in the War.

Copenhagen, Aug. 1.—Preparations for the mobilization of the Danish army were completed yesterday. The cabinet has decided to issue a declaration of neutrality in conjunction with a similar declaration issued by the governments of Sweden and Norway.

Both German and English warships were observed yesterday in Danish waters. Two German torpedo boat destroyers steamed close to the fortress at Middelfrond, a few miles from Copenhagen. The warships retired only after being commanded to do so by the commandant of the fortress, who threatened a recourse to force if they did not leave.

Without Placing Itself in Position Inferior to Germany.

London, Aug. 1.—The correspondent of The Times, telegraphing from St. Petersburg, says: "A general mobilization has been ordered. Never within living memory has Russia lived through a day of such emotion. The government decided on no great threat for consideration."

bilization when it became apparent that the Germans were purposely delaying their official notice of mobilization in order to place Russia in a position of inferiority. To have hesitated longer would have been to court disaster."

JAPAN'S AID READY

In Case Great Britain Should Become Involved.

London, Aug. 1.—The Japanese foreign minister, Takaaki Kato, in an interview with the Tokio correspondent of The Times said:

"If hostilities unfortunately are opened between Great Britain and the other powers we are ready to do what devolves upon us in virtue of our alliance."

MARTIAL LAW IN FINLAND.

Has Been Declared by an Imperial Ukase.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 1.—An imperial ukase declares martial law in Finland and Finnish territorial waters.

"SUFFS" TAKE TIME

TO ATTACK CATHEDRAL.

Disobey Order of Head of the Militant Organization but Fail to Shatter Lisburn Church.

Belfast, Ireland, Aug. 1.—Militant suffragettes to-day disobeyed orders issued by the head of the organization, requesting that the members refrain from militant acts during the international crisis, and attempted to destroy an ancient cathedral at Lisburn. The dynamite failed to shatter the thick walls, but much damage was done.

Senator Dillingham's Record.

The letter from Sen. Dillingham to Hon. C. A. Prouty regarding the charge of F. H. C. A. Prouty that he had opposed railroad regulation in behalf of the interests is published in full elsewhere because it so completely refutes the charge. Sen. Dillingham's record shows that since he has been a member of the Senate four steps in railroad regulation have been taken for them.

The Elkins law, which made common carriers subject to regulations by the interstate commerce commission, forbade rebating in any form, gave the courts power to enforce the orders of the commission and provided for the compulsory attendance of witnesses.

The Hepburn law, which gave the commission power to fix rates and suspend any rates found to be discriminatory or unjust.

The Mann-Elkins law, which established the United States court of commerce, a body created especially to expedite the hearings and enforcement of decisions by the interstate commerce commission, extended the jurisdiction of the commission and ordered an investigation of the issuance of railroad stocks and bonds preliminary to action by Congress on that subject.

The physical valuation of railroads, an act demanded by some for some time but something the practical value of which is still in question. If the valuation can be made in time to be of use in determining the value of the road well and good, but if it is found that the physical valuation cannot be determined until several years after the value is demanded its usefulness will be greatly hampered.

So complete has been the action on railroad regulation that Mr. Prouty himself says: "Taking the state and nation together, there is danger of too much rather than too little railroad legislation."

In considering the remedy of evils that appear in industrial life it must be remembered that the evils are constantly presenting themselves in new forms, in unexpected ways. That is the only way they exist by adopting new methods of evading enacted laws. To meet these new methods requires study, careful consideration and thorough knowledge of what should and what should not be restricted. Not only must one have this knowledge but he must be able to convince others that it is right. When these facts are remembered it must be evident that Congress has devoted itself quite honestly and effectively to the proper regulation of interstate transportation.

Still there are those who snarl "reactionary" whenever speaking of the men who have accomplished this work. "A reactionary" has come to mean simply a man who opposes for some reason or other. The public should not be too much influenced by the irresponsible and meaningless use of this hateful word. Acquaint yourself with the facts and decide honestly whether in favoring the "interests" or for the public welfare.—St. Johnsbury Caledonian.

Why Girls Like to Be Pretty.

In the August Woman's Home Companion appears a friendly talk to girls who love beauty. The author explains, as follows, why as a girl she wanted to be beautiful and the reason that is generally at the bottom of a desire for beauty:

"I wanted the power which, already, without reasoning about it, I knew beauty possesses."

"And that is, I am sure, at the bottom of every girl's wish for beauty, though she herself may not know it. We all have, as Stevenson says, a great thirst for consideration."

DEMOCRATS DECLINE TO JOIN IN REQUEST

To Governor Fletcher to Call Special Session of Legislature to Enact a Primary Law—New Chairman and Treasurer.

Burlington, Aug. 1.—At a meeting of the Democratic state committee, held at the Van Ness house last night, questions relating to ways and means of endorsing a primary were discussed. Before going into executive session the members of the committee held an open meeting, when all Democrats present were invited to take part in the council. Mayor James E. Burke of Burlington was on his feet at once, demanding that the Democrats join the Republicans and Progressives in petitioning the governor for an extra session of the legislature to enact a primary law.

When Mr. Burke had completed his argument H. C. Shurtleff of Montpelier replied, taking the ground that if Mayor Burke's suggestion were followed the governor might lure them along with the hope of an extra session until the last minute and then fail to call one. He thought that the party should assume a position of leadership rather than follow this year, being the party of the national administration. He was heartily in favor of a direct primary but not in favor of the means of securing one suggested by Mr. Burke.

Thomas H. Browne of Rutland was the next to speak, and while he too favored a direct primary he was emphatically opposed to Mr. Burke's suggestion.

Y. A. Ballard of Burlington was called upon and thought the difficulties and uncertainty in the way of securing a primary law of the right kind through calling a session of the legislature were too great. He was sure that a Republican legislature would do nothing to benefit the Democrats.

The committee went into executive session at 9 o'clock, and emerged an hour later. It was voted by the committee to lay on the table the communication from the Republican state committee asking that the Democrats join with them in petitioning the governor to call an extra session to pass a primary law, and it was left to the chairman to communicate this decision to the members of the Republican committee. This action with reference to a primary was based upon a written opinion submitted to the committee by C. D. Watson of St. Albans.

The resignation of E. S. Harris of Bennington as chairman and member of the committee was accepted, and Fred C. Brown of Pownal was elected to take his place, both as chairman from Bennington county and as chairman. The resignation of A. H. Gleason of St. Johnsbury as treasurer and member was also accepted and the choice of his successor in both offices was left to him. Both Mr. Harris and Mr. Gleason resigned because they have recently become postmasters of their respective towns and, as federal officeholders, feel that they ought not to be actively connected with the conduct of partisan politics.

The meeting was adjourned subject to call of the chairman. All but one of the members of the committee were present and that one, D. F. Carmody of Fair Haven, sent an alternate in the person of John H. Pollard of the same town.

ALLEGED BOGUS CHECK MAN IS HELD

Trail of Checks Had Been Left in Cities Through New England and in Canadian Provinces.

St. Albans, Aug. 1.—The Welden National bank has been informed of the arrest in Syracuse, N. Y., of the man who is alleged to have been a worthless check operator and who worked in St. Albans and other New England cities a few months ago under the name of J. J. MacCormack. The man is wanted in several cities in American states and in the Canadian provinces.

V. N. G. ENDS MUSTER.

But Rifle Practice Will Be Continued at State Ground.

Burlington, Aug. 1.—Camp Colonel Bonnet, the joint camp of the First Vermont Infantry and company B, Fifth United States Infantry, officially came to a close yesterday, although most of the guardsmen will remain in camp a week longer for the rifle practice, very few of them leaving to-day. The First Infantry band left yesterday morning for Brattleboro, so there was no parade yesterday afternoon, and will probably be no more during the rest of the camp.

The rifle practice began this morning on the post range and will continue through the next week, occupying all the day there being no more drilling or maneuvering. All ranges up to 1,000 yards will be included in the rifle practice and there will be pistol practice as well. To-morrow will be a quiet day. There will be services in the morning by the chaplain, John M. Thompson of Middlebury.

Colonel Morton has returned to the camp after escorting Major-General Wood to Plattsburg. The trip was made by automobile.

GOMPERS IS EXPECTED.

To Visit Burlington on the Coming Labor Day.

Burlington, Aug. 1.—Further plans for the big Labor day celebration were made last evening by the committee of the Central Labor union having the matter in charge.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American federation, who will be in attendance at the Plattsburg celebration, will be invited to Burlington and it is confidently expected that he will be present. Sherman's band will furnish music for the day.

ARE RUSHING DECISION.

On Eastern Railroad's Advanced Freight Rates.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 1.—The interstate commerce commission announced to-day that every effort would be made to publish the decision in the eastern railroad advance freight case at 3 o'clock to-day.

MONEY FLURRY GROWS

Bank of England Increased The Discount Rate To-day to Ten Per Cent and Imperial Bank of Germany Raised Its Rate To Six Per Cent.

BELGIUM BUYS UP WHOLE WHEAT CROP

National Penny Bank in London With Many Branches Closed To-day. Ocean Steamers Are Recalled to Sailing Ports.

London, Aug. 1.—The Bank of England to-day raised the discount rate to 10 per cent.

The National Penny bank, an institution with many branches where small deposits are received, closed to-day.

Berlin, Germany, Aug. 1.—The bank rate of the Imperial Bank Germany was raised to-day to 6 per cent.

Brussels, Aug. 1.—It is announced that the government has bought the entire wheat supply in Antwerp.

New York, Aug. 1.—The North German Lloyd line steamers, Friedrich der Gross, which sailed from Baltimore July 29, and the Neckar, which sailed from Galveston on the same date, were recalled to-day by wireless. The line also instructed the Wilhelmshafen to leave Montreal for Boston and remain there.

"KEEP YOUR HEAD"

Is Advice Which J. P. Morgan Gives to the People.

New York, Aug. 1.—J. P. Morgan yesterday issued the following statement: "Alarming as the news is from Europe we are still hoping that there will not be a general war. If the delicate situation can be held in abeyance for a few days I should expect a rising tide of protest from the people who are to pay for war with their blood and their property."

"The situation of the American security market during the past few days has been a splendid illustration of the inherent soundness of financial conditions in this country. While we all earnestly hoped that the New York Stock Exchange might be kept open, the situation is fraught with so much uncertainty that it seemed necessary in the interest of the whole country to close the exchange."

"It is essentially a time for the owners of American securities to keep their heads. Bear in mind that the actual properties represented by American securities will not suffer greatly by a European war."

More Hotels Needed.

There is a positive need in Vermont for more summer hotels. Nearly all the resorts are now filled to overflowing and many of them are turning away guests by the score. This is particularly the condition in Grand Isle county. There is no more beautiful section in all the country. The summer visitors to the islands are delighted with the scenery and environments, and they come from Canada as well as the cities of this country.

Only recently Island Villa at Grand Isle, owned by Mr. Briggs, turned away over 30 applications for accommodations in one day. What a field there is going to waste for capital to earn a safe and liberal profit on its investment. While the profit may not be as large as that promised by the western promoters or in the black fox industry, yet it is 10 times safer—and right here at home.

Vermont has not got to go away from its own borders to find opportunity for safe and profitable investment. The summer hotel offers every inducement that capital could require. This form of investment will, of course, require intelligent control but all business ventures demand careful management that they may be made profitable. Idle capital can well afford to look around Vermont for profitable investment in the line of summer resorts.—Burlington Clipper.

SPORTING NOTES.

Walter Johnson is said to be peevish because Manager Griffith is not working him enough. Johnson says that he feels his best and can pitch his best when he is used frequently. He says that some times Griffith will use him two days after a performance and then again he will not use him for five days.

Word was received in Boston this week that the amateur athletic union had barred Howard Drew, the colored sprinter, from representing the Los Angeles club in the national championships at Baltimore in September. Drew will not appear in this country on that date as he has entered the Canadian championship to run against Applegarth, the English speed merchant, on that date.

DEATH OF CLAYTON TUCKER.

Was Formerly a Blacksmith at East Barre. Funeral Sunday.

Clayton Tucker, for many years an East Barre blacksmith, passed away at the home of his father-in-law, George Cline, in North Montpelier yesterday, death following a long illness. Mr. Tucker had been confined to the house for the past month. One year ago he underwent an operation for the removal of a cancer. The malignant growth returned and toward the end complications combined to make his suffering acute. He leaves his wife, who was Miss Amy Cline and to whom he was married in Orange. Surviving also are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarendon Tucker of East Barre; a son, Carroll Tucker, by a former marriage, who lives in East Barre, and a brother, Cecil Tucker, residing in North Montpelier.

The deceased was born in Cabot in April, 1876. Early in life he moved with his parents to East Barre. He learned the blacksmithing trade and until two years ago he conducted a shop in East Barre. Afterwards he moved to North Montpelier and settled on a farm. Mr. Tucker was at one time prominently identified with the grange, the Foresters and the Woodmen.

The funeral will be held at the church in North Montpelier Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The officiating clergyman will be James Ramage, pastor of the Congregational church in East Barre, who was a long-time friend of Mr. Tucker. The burial will take place in the village cemetery at North Montpelier.

FUNERAL OF MRS. JULIA HARRIS

Was Held Yesterday Afternoon at Her Late Home on Brook Street.

Funeral services for Mrs. Julia A. Harris, wife of the late Charles E. Harris, whose death at her home, 11 Brook street, Wednesday afternoon occurred within a day of her 74th birthday anniversary, were held at the house yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Elmer F. Newell, pastor of the Hedding Methodist church, officiating. The bearers were Frank King, Frank Harriman, Jesse Willey, William Kerwin, Thomas Davidson and Forest R. Chapels. Among those who gathered to pay their last respects to the memory of the deceased were a large number of Mrs. Harris' former boarders. The out-of-town people present included Mrs. Ellen Rideout of Plainfield, Mrs. W. B. Jones of Williams-town, Frank King and Frank Harriman of Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin and Harris, Mrs. Addie Townsend, Mrs. Mrs. Amelia Perrin and Miss Gertrude Pearson of Montpelier.

A list of the flowers included the following tributes: Wreaths, family, Jennie Lovell, neighbors, borders; roses, Bright Star Rebekah lodge, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hawes, Barre Electric Co.; asters, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Duntun, Nye & Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Severance, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Dunsmore, Mr. and Mrs. William Belote; roses and carnations, Mrs. Helen Chap. Jesse and Max Willey; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Guyer, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Forest R. Chapels, Erwin Lawless, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Haskins, Mr. and Mrs. Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Taylor, Mrs. Prior, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. H. Griffith, Addie and Emily Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Russ, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Jones, Mrs. Charles Thompson.

PROUTY QUALIFIES STATEMENT.

Says He Is Still Republican but Wants Votes of All.

Burlington, Aug. 1.—Writing to the Burlington Free Press to-day, Charles A. Prouty declares he did not mean just what it seemed when he said he "would not accept a nomination from the Republican party" for United States senator. He writes:

"I have not the report before me but in substance I was made to say, 'I would not accept a nomination from the Republican party.' I may have used the exact words reported, but the thought in my mind was not that which these words taken by themselves would convey."

"I had declined to leave the Republican party and to accept a nomination as a Progressive. I had, however, stated that I would stand as a non-partisan, and as such I should for this particular purpose represent no political party. Just as I had refused to declare myself a Progressive for the purpose of obtaining that nomination, so I would not solicit or accept a nomination as a Republican. I would stand entirely impartial appealing to the liberal and progressive of all parties alike. This seems to me the only position which I could take and this was what I tried to say to that gathering. Of course I am especially anxious for the support of my fellow Republicans."

"Very truly yours,
"C. A. Prouty."

WAS DOUBLY HURT.

Hit by Hayfork and Then Fell Down Stairs.

Middlebury, Aug. 1.—McGuire Trudeau, a well known citizen of the Cornwell road, while at work at the home of J. S. Wing, assisting in haying, was hit by a hay fork in the barn and rolled over and over, falling downstairs a distance of about 20 feet. His collarbone was broken. His fellow workmen went to his assistance, taking him to his home. He is doing as well as could be expected. He was badly bruised and shaken and it will be some time before he will be able to be about again.

Have You a Genius for Friendship?

In the August Woman's Home Companion Margaret Busbee Shipp, writing a love story entitled, "Sweet Margaret," presents as a character in her story a botanist who gives the following advice to a young woman who is an amateur painter of ordinary ability:

"There are thousands of young women who can paint as well or better, but you are the one out of a thousand who has the gift of inspiring other people. You lift the work from drudgery and vivify with your enthusiasm. The gift belongs only to a nature that is genuine, unspoiled, and altogether unselfish. Stay yourself, child. Make the life work of many gladder and easier and truer because of their contact with you. You have a genius for friendship; trust me, it is rarer than a genius for literature or art."

TO QUIT CITY SERVICE SEPT. 1

Dr. J. H. Woodruff Resigns As Public Health Officer

WILLIAMS LETTER

TO STATE BOARD

Has Served Efficiently For Nearly Two Years

After serving nearly two years as city health officer and secretary of the local board of health, Dr. John H. Woodruff has tendered his resignation to the state board of health. In a communication to the secretary of the state board, Dr. C. F. Dalton of Burlington, Dr. Woodruff asks to be relieved of his duties Sept. 1. Dr. Woodruff gives as his reason for resigning, the growing demands of his own private practice. While regretting that his practice does not permit him to serve the city longer, Dr. Woodruff feels that his practice deserves his attention, and that he would willingly extend the time limit on his resignation if a successor could not be found by Sept. 1.

So far as can be ascertained there are few if any doctors in town who are willing to take the time from their private practice to accept an appointment. The matter of filling the vacancy is left with the state board of health. It is understood that the name of Dr. Henry C. Soldini, a former Barre boy, is being considered favorably. Since his graduation from the University of Vermont in 1912 Dr. Soldini has been interne at the Lincoln hospital in New York. It is said that he plans to locate in Barre.

War and Our Debts.

Among other things it (the threatened war in Europe) is likely to provide a splendid opportunity to extricate the country from a debtor condition represented by the large European holdings in American securities. The Sun believes that advantage will be readily taken by American investors to absorb on their own terms the further sales of stocks and bonds which Europe may seek to make here at the dictates of fear or necessity. If the absorption can be augmented by the purchase of European state funds or other foreign obligations which will enable the Old World in debt to the United States, so much the better.

—New York Sun.

But the war does not forgive us our debts. The only way we can get out of them is the same way that is open to us in time of peace, by keeping our enterprises within the scope of our own capacity to finance them. We should be doing that to-day if paid, or if we thought it paid. Our nation is in this respect like an individual who can do a large business as a heavy borrower, or a moderate business on his own resources. It is probable that a general European war would have on us just the effect which the Sun points out: Europeans would have so much less to lend to us that we should have to get along here on our own resources. Interest rates would compel it, but these would prove a corresponding discouragement of new investments, like increased railroad mileage. But this would not be desirable. It is the part of the young and the growing to borrow, as it is for the older and better established to lend. Shutting off foreign capital would not, per se, increase our own, at least in any proportions commensurate with the loss.—Boston Herald.

Mary Garden Names a Great Opera That Bored Her at First.

In the August American Magazine Mary Garden, the celebrated opera singer, writes an autobiographical article of extraordinary interest in which she describes her experiences on the operatic stage. In the course of her article she makes the point that much of the best music in the world cannot be appreciated at a first hearing and that those who pretend to appreciate it are fakers. In this connection she says:

"It was a long time before I could sit through the 'Valkyrie,' so when people go to that opera for the first time and come out and tell me it's wonderful, I don't believe they know what they're talking about. It is a matter of education."

"I never heard anything so beautiful as 'Parsifal.' It took such a hold on me that I thought I could not hear it. After the first act I was afraid I would have to go out of the theatre. I never suffered so in my life."

Where Success Comes Soon or Never.

In the August American Magazine Mary Garden, the celebrated opera singer, writes a most interesting autobiographical article—full of stories of her own experience and full of practical wisdom. She tells about studying in France for three years at the end of which time she made her debut at the opera Comique. She goes on to say: